



## ANNEX C1: Twinning Fiche

**Project title:** Strengthening the institutional capacity of the Ministry for Development of Economy, Trade and Agriculture (META) of Ukraine in the field of National Quality Infrastructures (NQI)

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## **1. Basic Information**

1.1 Programme: TCF 2018; Strengthening the institutional capacity of the Ministry for Development of Economy, Trade and Agriculture (META) of Ukraine in the field of National Quality Infrastructures (NQI) / Ministry for Development of Economy, Trade and Agriculture / Direct management;

1.2 Twinning Sector:  
Standardisation and certification, Trade & Industry

1.3 EU funded budget: EUR 1,200,000

## **2. Objectives**

2.1 Overall Objective(s):

Improve Ukraine's business climate, competitiveness, innovation and integration into the European Union's internal market by improving its National Quality Infrastructures (NQIs).

2.2 Specific objective:

Contribute in establishing a system of well-functioning norms, institutions and practices in the following sub-fields of Quality Infrastructures: i) Technical Regulations and Conformity Assessment; ii) Market Surveillance and Consumer Protection.

Mapping, analytical and advisory work in these sub-fields is specifically targeted at preparing Ukraine to fulfil the requirements set in AA/DCFTA as a prerequisite for starting negotiations of an Agreement on Conformity Assessment and Acceptance of Industrial Products (ACAA).

2.3 Contribution to Association Agreement

This action is specifically meant to assist Ukraine in achieving trade and economic objectives as established in the AA/DCFTA.

## **3. Description**

3.1 Background and justification:

Ukraine began reforming its National Quality Infrastructure (NQI) system in the late 1990s. Since then, the process run at different paces but was generally intensified after 2011. Since 2015, Ukraine introduced three new basic Laws in this field: i) "On Standardization"; ii) "On Metrology and Metrological Activities" and; iii) "On Technical Regulations and Conformity Assessment". More than 80 secondary legislative acts have subsequently been adopted in order to implement these Laws.

The details of the reforming process are as follows:

- A framework legislation necessary for AA/DCFTA implementation (on Technical Regulations; Standardization; Metrology; Conformity Assessment; Accreditation and; Market Surveillance) is in force;
- In 2015 the Government of Ukraine adopted a Strategy for Developing a Technical Regulation System for the period until 2020, meant to create a modern technical regulation system. So far, 82 new technical regulations were adopted; 76 of which have been developed on the basis of European directives and; 58 of them are currently implemented;

- Assessment of products' conformity with technical regulations has moved from a system based on compulsory product certification via the State certification system, to a system based on self-assessment or third party conformity assessment of compliance with technical regulation requirements. Since January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018, the mandatory certification of products in the state certification system was therefore repealed;
- The National Standardisation Body (State Enterprise "Ukrainian Scientific, Research and Training Centre on Standardisation, Certification and Quality") was created in 2015 and is recognised by major international standardisation organizations, including European organisations. It is a member of ISO, IEC, and a companion standardisation body of CEN and CENELEC.  
In 2019, out of the 21,758 national standards, more than 63% of them had been harmonized with European standards, while most of the ex-Soviet standards (GOSTs) had been withdrawn. There has been a reduction of necessary practices relating to the authorisation of products;
- The National Accreditation Agency of Ukraine (NAAU) was founded in 2002 and today is internationally recognized. The infrastructure of the conformity assessment bodies (designated to provide assessment of conformity of products with mandatory requirements set in technical regulations) is made up of 106 designated bodies. Ukraine has been the first country of the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS) to make the transition to the international model of metrology system based on the International Organization of Legal Metrology (OIML) recommendations. This allowed, among other things, to cut by half the number of categories of legally-regulated measuring instruments, so that today, in line with the EU practice, there are 80 categories (from the 160 original categories used during Soviet time).

### 3.2 Ongoing reforms:

The AA/DCFTA foresees that, once the relevant Ukrainian sectoral and horizontal legislation, institutions and standards have been fully aligned with those of the EU, and subject to verification by the EU side, an ACAA would be concluded for some and eventually all the industrial areas listed in Annex 3 to the AA/DCFTA. The Ukrainian Government has repeatedly indicated that it considers the signing of ACAAs as its key priority in the field of trade with the European Union.

A functioning system of technical regulations, accreditation, market surveillance and consumer protection is a crucial prerequisite for this process to be launched, both on the legislative and operational side.

Technical regulations & Conformity Assessment: Technical regulations in Ukraine are based on: i) European Parliament and Council Decision No 768/2008/EC of 9 July 2008 on a common framework for the marketing of products (which repealed Council Decision 93/465/EEC); ii) Regulation (EC) No 765/2008 of 9 July 2008 setting out the requirements for accreditation and market surveillance relating to the marketing of products (which repealed Regulation (EEC) No 339/93) and; iii) the WTO Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT). Because Ukraine is not entitled to affix a CE mark (European conformity mark), it requires the affixing of a specific Ukrainian conformity mark.

The law "On Amendments to Certain Legislative Acts of Ukraine on the Implementation of Legislation of the European Union in the Field of Technical Regulation" (Reg. No. 10183) has been adopted by the Ukrainian Parliament in June 2019; it contains numerous amendments to the original Laws on Technical Regulations and Conformity Assessment; on Accreditation of Conformity Assessment bodies and; on Metrology. Most of the amendments are of technical character and have been brought about by the practice of application of these laws in Ukraine; hence, this Law is mostly aimed at fine-tuning existing legislation.

Standardization: Until 2015, standards remained predominantly mandatory in Ukraine, which constituted a violation of some of the principles established by the WTO TBT Agreement, which entered into force in 1995. The legal basis justifying the Ukrainian position for keeping compulsory standards had been the Decree of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine "On Standardisation and Certification" of 1993.

Since 1991, the functions of National Standardization Body were carried out by the State Committee for Technical Regulation and Consumer Protection (DSSU); after 2011 the Ministry for Development of

Economy, Trade and Agriculture (META) assumed this task. The Cabinet of Ministers assigned the National Standardization Body (NSB) functions to the State Enterprise “Ukrainian Scientific, Research and Training Centre on Standardisation, Certification and Quality (“UkrNDNC”), an organisation which had been actively involved in standardisation activities as subordinate to the DSSU and META, and which was also responsible for maintaining databases of national standards and other normative documents, as well as for selling standards.

Market surveillance & Consumer Protection: Ukraine's Market Surveillance Law was adopted on December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2010 and was enacted on July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2011. In June 2019, a draft Law dealing with Market Surveillance — which was prepared by international experts jointly with profile Parliamentary Committee, META, Food Safety, Consumer Protection Service and some business associations — was registered in Parliament with no. 10222.

In December 2020, Law 2172 "Amendments aiming to reduce pressure on business by market surveillance bodies" was approved by the Parliament.

ACAA-related specific legislation: According to Annex III of the Association Agreement, Ukraine undertook the obligation to approximate its legislation with 5 horizontal (framework) EU acts and 27 EU sectorial directives/regulations.

The 5 horizontal (framework) EU acts refer to Ukraine legislation on standardisation, market surveillance, accreditation, metrology, technical regulations and conformity assessment legislation. With respect to approximation with the 27 EU sectorial directives/regulations, these are at different levels of maturity and are to be assessed by international experts; however, it is important realizing that this is a moving target, as EU legislation is constantly being updated.

Out of 27 sectors, Ukraine has decided to prioritize ACAA in three sectors: i) low-voltage equipment; ii) electromagnetic compatibility; iii) safety of machines. In 2019, META and DG GROW have been finalizing the tables of concordance referring to these three sectors.

### 3.3 Linked activities:

EU-Ukraine cooperation on TBT goes back to 2007 via budget support, technical assistance and Twinning programmes.

In 2016, a EUR 45 Million programme, consisting of budget support and technical assistance, has been completed and an assessment review of the programme has become available in September 2017.

Since 2017, DEL, in consultation with SGUA and DG GROW and in cooperation with META, has elaborated an NQI roadmap for cooperation, envisaging a mixture of short-term technical assistance and mid-term support via Twinning programmes. This cooperation roadmap is aimed at:

- Supporting Ukrainian Authorities in the general implementation of Chapter 3, Title IV of the AA/DCFTA;
- Assisting Ukraine in further aligning sectoral and horizontal legislation, institutions and standards with those of the EU, with a particular attention to reforms that are considered a prerequisite to fulfilling the requirements for starting negotiations of an Agreement on Conformity Assessment and Acceptance (ACAA);
- Preparing the ground (studies, legal analyses etc.) to extend the harmonisation with the EU regulatory framework to additional (to those listed in the DCFTA) industrial sectors;
- Strengthening the capacity of relevant Ministries and Regulatory Authorities, and of other institutions pertaining to the National Quality infrastructure system (institutions responsible for standards making, metrology, conformity assessment, market surveillance and accreditation);
- Increasing market awareness on the implications and opportunities arising from the of AA/DCFTA implementation.

As the National Standardization Body (NSB) is considered a priority organisation for institutional strengthening, both because of its maturity and experience and because of its immediate importance for the implementation of new legislation, a Twinning project was launched in 2019 to support this organization. The project, organized along six components, will continue operations till 2021.

More broadly, the EU has been supporting Ukraine in implementing a comprehensive Public Administration Reform (PAR) during the period 2016-2020, on the basis of the government PAR strategy adopted in 2016. The reform targets key Public Administration areas, namely policy development and coordination, civil service and human resources management, accountability of public administration, including improvement of its organisation, administrative service delivery and procedures and Public Financial Management.

Few other international donors are currently active in the NQI sector. In particular, the German Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) has launched a programme on the "Promotion of a Supportive Framework for Trade in Ukraine" (2016 – 2019, EUR 4.5 Million) implemented by GIZ, which supports several sectors of the NQI system, and particularly metrology. This programme will be extended in 2020 with a new programme on the "Implementation of Association Agreement in Trade" (2020 – 2023, EUR 6.3 Million), which is also geared at supporting Ukraine in taking full economic and trade advantage of newly introduced AA-DCFTA provisions. BMZ further funded the project "Support to the implementation of the Association Agreement between the EU and Ukraine in the field of metrology" (2019-2022, EUR 1 Million) implemented by the German National Metrology Institute (PTB).

### 3.4 List of applicable *Union acquis*/standards/norms:

Directive (EU) 2015/1535 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 September 2015 laying down a procedure for the provision of information in the field of technical regulations and of rules on Information Society services (38), with the exception of provisions relating to rules on information society services

Regulation (EC) No 765/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 July 2008 setting out the requirements for accreditation and market surveillance relating to the marketing of products and repealing Regulation (EEC) No 339/93

Regulation (EC) No 764/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 July 2008 laying down procedures relating to the application of certain national technical rules to products lawfully marketed in another Member State and repealing Decision No 3052/95/EC

Directive 2001/95/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 3 December 2001 on general product safety

Council Directive 85/374/EEC of 25 July 1985 on the approximation of the laws, regulations and administrative provisions of the Member States concerning liability for defective product

### 3.5 Components and results per component

*Component 1. Strengthening the legislative and regulatory framework related to Technical Regulations in Ukraine*

*Result 1. Analysis of the level of approximation and conformity between Ukrainian Technical Regulations and EU Technical Regulations, and subsequent recommendation on necessary changes to the primary and secondary legislation*

- Full assessment of the current level of alignment of the Ukrainian legislation on Technical Regulations;
- Concordance tables between Ukrainian Technical regulations and EU Technical Regulations are drafted;
- Recommendations for possible amendments to the Law of Ukraine "On Technical Regulations and Conformity Assessment" and other relevant legislative items are provided;

*Result 2. Drafting of Ukrainian lists of national standards in support of Ukrainian technical regulations and conformity assessment procedures*

- The conformity of Ukrainian lists of national standards in support of Ukrainian technical regulations are analyzed;
- Recommendations on necessary changes to ensure that Ukrainian technical regulations are in compliance with relevant acts of EU legislation on issues related to standardization are issued;
- Recommendations on the practice of applying harmonized European standards for conformity assessment purposes as well as in support of fulfilling the product requirements set in technical regulations are issued

*Component 2. Mapping of the functional organization of Conformity Assessment activities, and institutional strengthening of the Ministry for Development of Economy, Trade and Agriculture (META) and the National Accreditation Agency of Ukraine (NAAU)*

*Result 3. META and NAAU activities leading to the appointment and monitoring of Conformity Assessment bodies are perfected, and updated Standard Operating Procedures and Checklists in this field are developed*

- The status, working modalities and effectiveness of the processes leading to the appointment and monitoring of Ukrainian designated bodies are revised and confirmed;
- Changes necessary to ensure full compliance of Conformity Assessment activities with EU-harmonized Ukrainian legislation are formalized in consultations with META and NAAU;
- On the basis of EU experience, methodological recommendations on the improvement of the processes leading to the appointment and monitoring of Ukrainian designated bodies, including Standard Operating Procedures and check-lists, are developed;
- On the basis of EU practice, procedures for transferring cases among different notified bodies are developed;
- A strategy for the implementation of these recommendations is developed and implemented.

*Component 3. Mapping the functional organization of the activities of Conformity Assessment designated bodies, and institutional strengthening of selected Conformity Assessment Bodies*

*Result 4. Conformity Assessment Bodies activities, covering the entire range of product tests and certification in accordance with the relevant technical regulations, are perfected*

- Structural consultations with META, NAAU and Conformity Assessment Bodies on changes necessary to ensure the full compliance of test laboratories and conformity assessment bodies activities are carried out;
- On the basis of EU experience, recommendations on processes leading to the management of product testing in laboratories are developed;
- The current status of designated conformity assessment bodies is mapped and a gap assessment on equipment needs is drafted.

*Component 4. Mapping the functional organization of Market Surveillance & Consumer Protection procedures and strategies, and institutional strengthening of the Ministry for Development of Economy, Trade and Agriculture of Ukraine regarding management processes*

*Result 5. META procedures leading to Market Surveillance and Consumer Protection activities are perfected, and updated Standard Operating Procedures and Checklists are developed*

- The status, working modalities and effectiveness of the processes leading to Market Surveillance and Consumer Protection in Ukraine are confirmed;
- On the basis of EU experience, Ukraine Market Surveillance & Consumer Protection activities are analysed and assessed;
- On the basis of EU experience, methodological recommendations on the improvement of the processes leading to Market Surveillance and Consumer Protection activities are developed, also on the basis of newly drafted Standard Operating Procedures and Checklists;
- A strategy for the implementation of these recommendations is developed.

*Component 5. Development of a public outreach strategy promoting the opportunities of NQI reforms to the Ukrainian private sector, encouraging businesses to take advantage of benefits deriving from de-bureaucratization:*

*Result 6. The Ukrainian private sector is better aware of the business and commercial opportunities arising from NQI reforms*

- Key messages in terms of potential economic impact are developed and devised;
- A Communication Strategy and Action Plan are developed, also on the basis of identified target groups and best suited media channels;
- META communication personnel involved in outreach activities to the private sector is trained;
- The Ukrainian counterpart is assisted in implementing the Action Plan — including in its parts dealing with communications via mass media, social networks and other channels and; meetings with business associations.

### 3.6 Means/input from the EU Member State Partner Administration(s)

#### 3.6.1 Profile and tasks of the PL:

The PL will be expected to devote a minimum of 3 days per month to the project in his home administration. In addition, he will coordinate, from the Member State side, the Project Steering Committee (PSC), which will meet in Ukraine at least every three months.

##### *Profile*

- University degree/post-graduate degree in the relevant discipline or equivalent professional experience of 8 years
- Senior officer from a Member State with 3 years' experience in the field of Technical Regulations and Conformity Assessment;
- Experience in the field of project management, institutional issues and organisation of National Quality Infrastructure according to European requirements.
- Excellent command of written and spoken English. A spoken capability in Ukrainian or Russian would be an asset.

##### *Tasks*

The main tasks of the MS Project Leader are to ensure:

- The overall coordination of the project;
- The achievement of mandatory results;
- The organisation of working groups, if needed;
- The organisation of the good communication and coordination with beneficiary and stakeholders.

#### 3.6.2 Profile and tasks of the RTA:

The Resident Twinning Adviser (RTA) will provide 24 months input on site.

##### *Profile*

- Senior officer from the Member State with extensive experience in Technical Regulations and Conformity Assessment (minimum 3 years);
- Previous experience in project management (preferably also managing a team composed of EU and local experts);
- Excellent command of written and spoken English. A spoken capability in Ukrainian or Russian would be an asset.

##### *Tasks*

- Manage the day-to-day coordination and progress of the activities in Ukraine (office accommodation in META/NAAU premises)
- Liaise with the Beneficiary Country (BC) Project Leader and RTA counterpart
- Report to the MS Project Leader
- Liaise with other relevant Ukrainian institutions

### 3.6.3 Profile and tasks of the Component Leaders

- Officer from the Member State with extensive experience in Technical Regulations, Conformity Assessment, Market Surveillance and Consumer Protection (over 3 years).
- University degree or equivalent additional professional experience of 4 years
- Excellent command of written and spoken English. A spoken capability in Ukrainian or Russian would be an asset.

### 3.6.4 Profile and tasks of other short-term experts:

The RTA and Component leaders will be assisted by short-term experts. Short term experts must have experience in the area of standardisation and be suitably qualified for the activities mentioned above. Expertize may also be needed on impact assessment in this area to ensure a more evidence-based approach to law-making.

Short-term experts will be indicatively required for the following areas:

- Technical Regulations for different fields (areas prioritized for ACAA in particular);
- Management of Conformity Assessment procedures;
- Management and coordination of Conformity Assessment Designated Bodies;
- Business processes analysis;
- Marketing of NQI services;
- Communication.

## 4. Budget

The project budget is 1,200,000 Euro

## 5. Implementation Arrangements

### 5.1 Implementing Agency responsible for tendering, contracting and accounting (AO/CFCE/PAO/European Union Delegation/Office):

The Delegation of the European Union to Ukraine will be responsible for tendering, contracting, payments and financial reporting.

The person in charge of this project is:

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The Programme Administration Office (PAO) is the central point of communication between the EU Delegation and the Beneficiary Administrations and between the MS Administrations and the Beneficiary Administrations.



The PAO drafts a reference programming document for the Twinning projects in the Beneficiary country.

The PAO assists the EU Delegation in the organisation and management of selection meetings.

The PAO, together with the Commission, checks that the good financial management of the Twinning project is in compliance with EC rules;

The PAO receives and examines all Twinning project reports (including mission reports, financial reports etc.);

The PAO supports all Twinning stakeholders, including beneficiary administrations, Member States and the EU Delegation.

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## 5.2 Institutional framework

The partner in the beneficiary country will be the Technical Regulation Office, Ministry for Development of Economy, Trade and Agriculture.

The project's target group will include, on top of the META, NAAU and the Conformity Assessment designated bodies.

The operational base for the project will be in Kyiv, Ukraine. Missions to other regions of Ukraine will be necessary for awareness raising activities and for coordination activities with Technical Committees. The indicative start date is December 2019. The operational duration is 24 months, topped up by three months for starting and closing phases.

## 5.3 Counterparts in the Beneficiary administration:

### 5.3.1 Contact person:

Mr Mykola Kryzhanovskyi

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### 5.3.2 PL counterpart

Mr Mykola Kryzhanovskyi

### 5.3.3 RTA counterpart

Mr Mykola Kryzhanovskyi  
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## 6. Duration of the project

24 months of implementation

## 7. Management and reporting

### 7.1 Language

The official language of the project is the one used as contract language under the instrument (English). All formal communications regarding the project, including interim and final reports, shall be produced in the language of the contract.

### 7.2 Project Steering Committee

A project steering committee (PSC) shall oversee the implementation of the project. The main duties of the PSC include verification of the progress and achievements *via-à-vis* the mandatory results/outputs chain (from mandatory results/outputs per component to impact), ensuring good coordination among the actors, finalising the interim reports and discuss the updated work plan. Other details concerning the establishment and functioning of the PSC are described in the Twinning Manual.

### 7.3 Reporting

All reports shall have a narrative section and a financial section. They shall include as a minimum the information detailed in section 5.5.2 (interim reports) and 5.5.3 (final report) of the Twinning Manual. Reports need to go beyond activities and inputs. Two types of reports are foreseen in the framework of Twinning: interim quarterly reports and final report. An interim quarterly report shall be presented for discussion at each meeting of the PSC. The narrative part shall primarily take stock of the progress and achievements *via-à-vis* the mandatory results and provide precise recommendations and corrective measures to be decided by in order to ensure the further progress.

## 8. Sustainability

The assistance required by META is meant to complement policies and legislative processes that Ukraine has autonomously initiated and that are meant to improve the National Quality Infrastructures and to advance its compliance with AA/DCFTA provisions. To this extent, this Twinning programme assists a process that has been autonomously initiated by the Ukrainian authorities and that is in line with national policies on quality infrastructures.

Nonetheless, in the interest of the sustainability of the results, this Twinning programme should be backed by an impact assessment study covering, among other spheres, the regulatory and fiscal environment. This study should be understood as part of the preparatory work for the project and should be carried out in consultation with both internal and external stakeholders, also with the scope of verifying the availability of the Ukrainian Government in dedicating future fiscal resources to the continuity and viability of promoted reforms.

Concerning training activities, the META will ensure that the knowledge gained through this twinning will be embedded in the right offices and public officials by properly selecting the right candidates to pursue envisaged trainings. Newly learned skills, approaches and methodologies shall be adopted as the new working methodologies of the META across its operational fields. This knowledge shall be

transferred to other public administrations dealing with quality infrastructures. The reports, guidelines and manuals produced during the project will be delivered to SAEE.

## **9. Crosscutting issues**

The project will promote non-discrimination and treat genders equally. The MS partner will lead by example during the implementation of all project activities.

Although environmental aspects are not directly targeted by this twinning programme, both EU experts and their Ukrainian counterparts will keep environmental concerns

The project will promote and advocate best EU practices at every appropriate opportunity. These include the values of a service-oriented administration based on standard operating procedures and ethical norms and standards, as well as inclusive and evidence-based modalities of creating policies and adopting legislative acts.

By promoting an institutional culture of openness, accountability and transparency, the project will positively impact on the credibility and integrity of concerned Government Departments and Agencies. The project will strive to act as an example of positive administrative reform.

## **10. Conditionality and sequencing**

The following contributions from the Government and META are regarded as important preconditions for the successful implementation of the project:

- The Government contributes in defining the areas in which institutional strengthening and both primary and secondary legislative intervention is mostly needed;
- The Twinning project receives high level political and professional support by META hierarchy and staff at all level;
- META contributes in defining the areas in which training is mostly needed;
- The Government and META ensure access to all necessary information and documents in accordance with the legislation in force.

The sequencing of all Twinning activities will be prioritised in close coordination between the MS and BA and will work according to the Logical Framework, which will form part of the Twinning project contract.

## **11. Indicators for performance measurement**

The logical framework, including the indicators, will be revisited during the formulation of the initial rolling work plan of the project. The work plan which will be prepared in collaboration between the MS and the Partner Administration will further refine and specify the indicators. A provisional list of such indicators, divided by results, is reported in the Simplified Logical Framework in Annex.

## **12. Facilities available**

MS in-country staff and visiting experts will be provided with office accommodation and equipped with computer, telephone, internet access, printer and scanner. Further, the staff will be provided with a suitable venue and equipment for training sessions and seminars.

1. Simplified Logical Framework

	Description	Indicators (with relevant baseline and target data)	Sources of verification	Risks	Assumptions (external to project)
<b>Overall Objective</b>	Improve Ukraine's business climate, competitiveness, innovation and integration into the European Union's internal market by improving its national quality infrastructure.			Exogenous, moderate	Stable economic, political, security environment;
<b>Specific (Project) Objective</b>	Contribute in establishing a national quality infrastructure system compatible with the EU system, thus supporting the implementation of Association Agreement / Deep and Comprehensive Free Trade Area (AA/DCFTA) provisions in the area of technical barriers to trade (TBTs).	Number of legislative, administrative and policy provisions drafted and submitted to the legislator/Government with a view of aligning the Ukrainian National Quality Infrastructure to that of the European Union	Number of legislative and administrative acts that have officially been submitted; report of TWINNING activities	Exogenous, moderate	Stable economic, political, security environment; unaltered META priorities
<b>Mandatory results/ outputs by components</b>	<b>Result 1.</b> The compatibility between Ukrainian Technical Regulations with corresponding EU acquis is analyzed, and Ukraine has been advised on relevant changes to be undertaken	Recommendations for possible improvements of the Law of Ukraine "On Technical Regulations and Conformity Assessment" and other relevant legislative items  Compliance tables of EU and Ukrainian technical regulations	Compliance report between Ukrainian and EU legislation (Law of Ukraine "On Technical Regulations and Conformity Assessment" and Ukrainian technical regulations)	Exogenous, moderate	Stable economic, political, security environment; unaltered META priorities
	<b>Result 2.</b> The Ukrainian lists of national standards in support of technical regulations have been improved and are identical to the corresponding lists of harmonized European standards in support of EU legislation	Recommendations for improvement of the Ukrainian lists of national standards in support of technical regulations	Compliance report between Ukrainian and EU legislation (Law of Ukraine "On Technical Regulations and Conformity Assessment" and Ukrainian technical regulations)	Exogenous, moderate	Stable economic, political, security environment; unaltered META priorities

	<p><b>Result 3.</b> META and NAAU activities leading to the appointment and monitoring of Conformity Assessment Bodies are perfected, and Ukraine has developed updated Standard Operating Procedures and Checklists in this field</p>	<p>Recommendations for improvement of the activities leading to the appointment and monitoring of Conformity Assessment Bodies</p>	<p>Issuance of recommendations and updated Standard Operating Procedures and Checklists</p>	<p>Exogenous, moderate</p>	<p>Stable economic, political, security environment; unaltered META priorities</p>
	<p><b>Result 4.</b> The capacity of the Conformity Assessment Bodies to carry out the entire range of product tests and certifications in accordance with the relevant technical regulations is perfected</p>	<p>Recommendations for improvement of Conformity Assessment Body's product tests and certifications</p>	<p>Issuance of recommendations</p>	<p>Exogenous, moderate</p>	<p>Stable economic, political, security environment; unaltered META priorities</p>
	<p><b>Result 5.</b> META procedures leading to Market Surveillance and Consumer Protection activities are perfected, and Ukraine has developed updated Standard Operating Procedures and Checklists in this field</p>	<p>Recommendations for improvement of Market Surveillance and Consumer Protection activities</p>	<p>Issuance of recommendations and updated Standard Operating Procedures and Checklists</p>	<p>Exogenous, moderate</p>	<p>Stable economic, political, security environment; unaltered META priorities</p>
	<p><b>Result 6.</b> The Ukrainian private sector is better aware of the business and commercial opportunities arising from NQI reforms</p>	<p>Recommendations for increasing public awareness of business and commercial opportunities arising from NQI reforms</p>	<p>Differences between results of business awareness polls to be organized at the beginning and at the end of activities</p>	<p>Exogenous, moderate</p>	<p>Stable economic, political, security environment; unaltered META priorities</p>